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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE – Art Unit 3671

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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: SHU ET AL.

APPLICATION NO.: 10/604,380

FILED: JULY 15, 2003

FOR: **A NON-PLOWING METHOD FOR
ESTABLISHING VEGETATION AND A
NUTRIENT MATRIX THEREOF**

EXAMINER: VICTOR D. BATSON

ART UNIT: 3671

CONF. NO: 1379

Transmittal of Amendment

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Sir:

1. Transmitted herewith are the following:

- ☒ Amendment.
- ☒ Substitute Specification (clean version).
- ☒ Substitute Specification (marked-up version).

2. Entity Status:

- ☒ Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27) has been previously established.

3. Conditional Petition for Extension of Time:

Applicants petition for an Extension of Time, if necessary, for timely of this transmittal and enclosures.

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4. Fee Calculation and Payment:

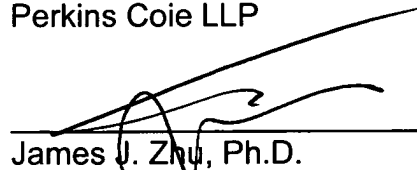
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5. Provisional Fee Authorization:

No fees are believed due by the Applicants. However, should the Commissioner determine that fees are due in order for this paper to be considered, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2586.

Respectfully submitted,
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Sir:

The following is in response to the Office Action mailed 02/07/06.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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